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SUBJECT: RESETTLEMENT OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES

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1. DCM MADE ORAL DEMARCHE TO AMBASSADOR ISELIN (FPD) WHO IN CHARGE ASIA. ISELIN SAID SWISS WOULD DO WHAT THEY COULD WITH RESPECT VIETNAMESE REFUGEES IN ACCORDANCE THEIR TRADITIONAL HUMANITARIAN POLICY BUT BEARING IN MIND LIMITATIONS A SMALL COUNTRY HAS. HE SAID SWISS GOVERNMENT HAS VIETNAMESE REFUGEE PROBLEM UNDER ACTIVE CONSIDERATION. FPD HAD BEEN CONSULTING WITH FOREIGNERS' POLICE TODAY ON POLICY TO BE FOLLOWED (INCLUDING ASSESSMENT NUMBER OF VIETNAMESE IN SWITZERLAND WHO MAY ASK FOR PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS) AND THAT SWISS EMBASSY WASHINGTON HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED APPROACH DEPARTMENT TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ON CRITERIA USG USING TO GRANT VIETNAMESE REFUGEE STATUS.

2. ISELIN SAID IT MOST PROBABLE THAT SWISS WOULD HAVE TO GIVE PRIMARY CONSIDERATION TO VIETNAMESE ALREADY HERE SUCH AS DIPLOMATS, STUDENTS, AND VIETNAMESE RELATIVES OF SWISS WHO ARE HERE ON TEMPORARY STATUS.

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COMMENT: WE WOULD ANTICIPATE THAT SWISS WOULD PROBABLY
GIVE PERMANENT RESIDENCE STATUS TO 150 OR SO VIETNAMESE
BUT THAT IT WOULD BE UNREALISTIC EXPECT MUCH MORE THAN THAT.
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